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[The Rhode Island International Film Festival](#) is one of just 26 worldwide — and the only one in New England — that nominates short films for the annual Academy Awards presentations. Since 1998 the Festival has seen 33 of its premieres receive final nominations and six win the Oscar.

This week RIIFF opens its vaults for a retrospective of some of these nominees at three locales around the state — today at 6 p.m. at Global Heritage Hall, GH01, Roger Williams University, Bristol; Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Rochambeau Library, 708 Hope St., Providence, and Friday at 2 p.m. at the Providence Public Library, 150 Empire St.

Early films from Rhode Island School of Design Prof. David Sousa whose animated short “Feral” is an Oscar nominee this year, are featured along with a showing of “Feral.” The events are free and open to the public.